

"WILDE" THOUGHTS.

The leaping grace of the jessamine weed
(Sweet blows the wind from the mulberry leaves)
Thrills me with thrills that are utter, intense,
(Fair sighs the wind they' the tickle wheat sheaves)

O! I'm used with, with thy purple bloom,
(Low croaks the frog from the dead black mire)
Send down thine essence of woe perfume,
(And sing the frog in the stagnant choir)

More utterly too than the leaping jem
(Soft yours the rains with a dolorful dash)
Is the wild, rare, rambutan, heavy and dim,
(Soft falls the rain with a stately splash.)

Oh, rashness raim! and oh, jessamine weed!
(Faints my heart with a woe, so dire, so deep.)
The other may have gone to seek,
(Sad beats the same in its doleful breast.)

—E. M. S. H., for the Republicans.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

Excessive rains are becoming a subject of general complaint.

One hundred and six marriages in London last year, of which only thirty were whites.

Rev. J. T. Lynch, of Stirling, Conn., has received a call to the pastoral care of the Baptist Church at Scoville.

The following named postmasters have been appointed: Noble, Welch, Eddy Hill, and William E. Stone, Lovell Mount.

Mr. Nathan Harris, a son of ex-Congressman Harrison, has been elected one of the teachers of the public schools of Harrisonburg.

Captain A. H. Fultz has resigned the presidency of the Staunton city council; and Robert W. Burke has been elected in his place.

The council of Staunton, meeting for the incorporation into itself as one body, will file the suburbs of Belvoir City, Brambleton, and Atlantic City.

During the past week Sunday 294,200 pounds of coal were shipped to Lynchburg.

The National Bank of Virginia has reduced the rate of discount to 6 per cent. Monday E. O. Noyes, of New York, and Thomas W. McCance was elected vice-president.

Mr. Samuel Patterson, the committee appointed to go to Washington on the subject of locating a new house at Lynchburg, is very satisfied with the House committee will decide the matter favorably.

Judge W. P. Rice, who was elected last Monday, continues judge of the state, being about twenty-four years old. He has been a practicing lawyer for five years.

Mr. John Marshall, a relative of the famous Chief Justice, has discovered on his farm near Markham, Pankey County, an apparently inexhaustible deposit of valuable magnetite iron ore. He is collecting specimens to wear in the name.

A bill comprising the congressional districts, it is said, has been prepared and will be introduced in the senate in a few days. If the bill passes, it will be the first change in the boundaries since changes necessary a rider will be added hereafter.

Nine or ten guards and other employees at the penitentiary have been informed that their relatives are to be released after the election this month. Their places are to be filled by new men. A number of colored men will be given places at the penitentiary.

A new railroad scheme is in agitation having reference to the construction of a line from Lynchburg by way of Bedford, Franklin, Floyd, Carroll, and Green Counties to Ashe County, North Carolina. It is expected that this scheme can be organized to carry out the enterprise.

The Question Settled.

There's no use in asking the question of the potency of some substances for special service in emergencies. They will do all they promise, and more. Dr. J. C. Murphy, of Boston, Dr. J. C. Murphy, of No. 4, Fire Station, Ottawa, Canada, bears upon the point stated above. Dr. Murphy says: "I had occasion to see Mr. St. Jean tell us that he had a severe attack of the colic in the winter. I ever saw used. I caught cold from getting wet at a fire, and it settled in my shoulder and down my back. I took a dose of opium, and it relieved me pain. I was advised to try St. Jacobs Oil. I did so, and after the fourth application I was entirely free from pain. I cannot speak too highly of it, and advise others to use it."

ALEXANDRIA AFFAIRS.

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the city council was held last night.

A young man named Crump, employed in the carpet shop of the Virginia Midland depot, had been shot.

The alarm of fire about midnight Monday was caused by the discovery of smoke and flames issuing from the windows of the grocery store of Mr. John Marshall, located on Main street, opposite the Washington and Ohio Railroad depot. The damage, about \$500, is fully covered by insurance.

Mr. Casius E. Lee, of this city, receiver of the trust fund of the late James McCormick, died Saturday morning at his residence, in the Circuit Court of Richmond. Judge Wellford, to restrain the treasurer of affairs, company from levying on the trust of McCormick, stayed them through the trial court for taxes for the year 1880.

The heel and stern-post of the large new schooner being built at the ship-yard have been placed in position, and the hull is now ready to be worked on the vessel is to be pushed forward with speed. The steaming action, recently put based by Captain English, is at the yard undergoing repairs.

The meeting at the Reform Club stands as follows: For watch—William H. Smith, 185; Joshua Ellis, 157; J. T. Beckham, 28; S. G. Brent, 24; M. H. Hudson, 24; L. Marbury, 21; John A. Marshall, 17; J. W. Moore, 15; Mrs. C. C. Moore, 12; Mrs. Carrie Bartlett, 19; Miss Ella Blunt, 12; Miss Roberta Meager, 8; Mr. M. R. Goodland, 12; Rev. Dr. Z. T. Penit, 7; H. M. Foltz, 45; G. W. Francis, 23.

John Clowes, a young man well known here, died at his station-house at 629 yesterday morning. He had been ill for a month, coming to the station-house slowly, and was unable to get a definite diagnosis. His remains were taken to the establishment of Undertaker Nealey, on King street, where his son, Will, took charge, and became the grandson of the late John McCormick, and came of a most respectable family.

The pharmacists here are opposed to the proposed bill, which makes a "board of health drugs" at Richmond, and requires all clerks a trip to Richmond before they can serve in a pharmacy. Mr. George W. McDaniel, a graduate of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, has engaged in business here over forty years, and there are many other older apothecaries here fully competent to form a local board as any in the State.

THREE BIG SIGNS SET.

Martin C. Flanigan, by his attorney, H. O. and B. Cleghorn, has commenced suit against the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, claiming \$10,000 damages. Defendant on the 11th of October, 1881, bought a round trip ticket between here and Baltimore, and claims that he was ejected from a car at Baltimore without just cause and injured \$10,000 worth.

George L. Sherwood, alias the District for \$5,000 damages. Last Saturday the plaintiff, accompanied by an owl, went to town south between G and H streets northwest, and came near being drowned.

He thinks the District is to blame in not properly preventing a drowning.

A second bill has been filed in which Jane M. Shervaud, wife of George L. Sherwood, is also plaintiff, and claims for substantially the same reasons as in the first bill.

PROSECUTION OF BOB MCN.

At the annual trial of the great Committee of the District of Columbia, headed the last sleep of cold moon, G. B. D., 391, the following great chiefs were elected for the ensuing great session: Great sachem, Charles M. Miller, of No. 12; great sachem, William H. Wilson, of No. 11; great chief of wampum, James E. Dement, of No. 6; great prophet, William A. Ran, of No. 11; great prophet, Dr. H. C. Hill, of No. 9; Sun, J. W. More, of No. 11.

Annexation Avoided.

Gray hairs are honorable, but their premature appearance is annoying. Parker's Hair Balsam prevents the annoyance by promptly restoring the youthful color.

DISTRICT COURTS.

COUPON IN GENERAL TERM.—THE CHIEF JUSTICE AND JUSTICES HAGMEYER AND JAMES—Whately Jones, and A. H. McDonald et al., ordered on motion that defendant, George W. McDaniel, be remitted with strictures with rule of practice. Adjudged bill dismissed.

COUPON IN GENERAL TERM.—JUSTICE MAGRUDER.—Mayfield & Houston vs. Lyon judgment confirmed, Houston vs. Lyon judgment affirmed, and the cause remanded to the Circuit Court of Appeals.

COUPON IN GENERAL TERM.—McDonald vs. Coal Company vs. Huskins et al., defendant of coal suggested, Carlson vs. Auchincloss; plaintiff claimed he was entitled to a bill of lading, and defendant denied it.

COUPON IN GENERAL TERM.—Evans vs. McDonald; defendant denied he was entitled to a bill of lading, and plaintiff denied it.

COUPON IN GENERAL TERM.—Morrison vs. Kettner, judgment affirmed and leave to appeal denied.

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